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Dear Dr. Friedman,

I have become greatly concerned that I am eating genetically engineered foods without being told that fact. I am writing you this letter to voice my opinion and insist that genetically engineered foods be labeled as such, regardless of whether the food is in it's whole form or as an ingredient in processed foods.

I believe that any genetically engineered food controversy is not just about what we eat, but also without labeling, it's about the lack of democratic decision making and the claims of science to supremacy over individuals and nations; the mentality that "they" know what's best for all. I do not want to eat "Roundup Ready" soybeans or tomatoes that contain the gene from a fish, as just two examples. But without labeling I cannot avoid it and have no choice in the matter.

My concern over this situation has led me to study the pros and cons of genetically engineered foods and I am appalled at the "Big Brother" attitude of government agencies who seem to have embraced wholeheartedly biochemical corporations creating food, and never informing the public what has been taking place with the world food supply.

I have written my political representatives to insist that legislation be passed into law that will require genetically engineered foods be labeled. The FDA is allowing these foods to come to market unlabeled although public opinion shows a large majority of Americans want them labeled, 81% in a January 11, 1999 Time magazine poll. Unless labeled to tell us what we are eating and thus give us a choice, we are guinea pigs for this untested food created by chemical corporations.

Please respond back and let me know the FDA position on this alarming situation.

Sincerely,

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